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FOR AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP, EGEN, NI

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE VISIT BY UNDER SECRETARY COOPER

REF: LAGOS 4602

1. AS YOU ARE AWARE FROM YOUR MARCH 23 MEETING WITH THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, MR. COOPER IS THINKING ABOUT BRIEFLY VISITING LAGOS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CHIEFS OF MISSION MEETING IN ABIDJAN. THE DEPARTMENT EXPECTS TO INFORM YOU AT THE BEGINNING OF NEXT WEEK WHETHER SUCH A VISIT IS POSSIBLE.

2. MEANWHILE, WITHOUT APPROACHING MORE THAN THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF NIGERIANS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS ON (1) THE UTILITY OF THE VISIT AT THIS TIME, (2) SUBJECTS TO BE COVERED IN MEETINGS WITH NIGERIAN OFFICIALS, AND (3)  
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AVAILABILITY OF KEY OFFICIALS.

3. FYI, THE UNDER SECRETARY IS TENTATIVELY PLANNING TO FLY FROM ABIDJAN MAY 12 ON GH 549/554 ARRIVING LAGOS AT 17:45 HOURS. (THIS WILL REQUIRE LEAVING THE COM MEETING A FEW HOURS EARLY.) HE WOULD DEPART LAGOS AT 23:55 HOURS MAY 13 ON UT-756 TO PARIS.

4. DURING HIS 30 HOURS IN LAGOS, HE WOULD CONCENTRATE ON MEETING OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR NIGERIAN ECONOMIC POLICY. PRIMARY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION COULD BE CIEC, LOS, AND ENERGY. AS YOU WISH, MR. COOPER COULD ALSO BE BRIEFED TO DISCUSS SUCH SPECIFIC TOPICS AS ATOMIC POWER, BILATERAL TRADE (PORT CONGESTION), CIVIL AVIATION NEGOTIATIONS, US INVESTMENT, AND FUTURE FORMS OF BILATERAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AND CONSULTATION. END FYI.

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